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THE WHOLE STATE IN
ATHLETIC COMPETITION

Out of about 5,000 boys from 17 counties and Baltimore, 423 winners of county and city meets took part in the "State-wide Olympiad" June 11 at Homewood Athletic Field, Johns Hopkins University.

Maryland is thus the first State to recognize the relation of Games and Sports to Education and Character.

STATE WIDE ATHLETICS

SEASON 1915
under direction of the
PUBLIC ATHLETIC LEAGUE

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WHAT THE
STATE SUPERINTENDENT
OF EDUCATION SAYS

"I am more than glad to add my testimony to the value of the athletic meet conducted by you and your assistants at the various county educational rallies. This feature was attractive both to pupils and to patrons and friends who attended the exercises. Our Department cannot be too generous in its praise of the contribution you made in having these gatherings favored with an athletic meet so well conducted by yourself and others. I sincerely hope the idea will not only be carried out another year but enlarged upon.

Very truly yours,

(Signed)

M. BATES STEPHENS,
State Superintendent

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Maryland has accomplished unique results by its successful athletics during 1915. The State accepted the new doctrine that it had a responsibility for the recreation of its people when the Legislature at its last session appropriated \$4,000.00 to the Public Athletic League in order that the League might extend its activities throughout every County in the State.

The badge test for the individual is three athletic events in which every one who reaches a standard receives an award. Having attained the standards he "passes" just as he does any subject in a school curriculum.

Athletics are "the social, vigorous, fighting plays of youth." Games develop social qualities. When a boy feels a responsibility to his school as its representative, he learns the first lesson of being a member of society. Fair play, honesty and loyalty to others are more easily learned by active participation in games than by any amount of reading or exhortation.

Twenty Counties and the City of Baltimore, through their County Superintendents and Teachers cooperated in making the initial year successful not only in promoting the meets, but in preparing the programs, planning the tracks and attending to countless details.

Best of all, the Counties sent their winners at their own expense to the State-wide Olympiad, June 11. Every boy who came was entertained at the home of some friendly city dweller.

THE PUBLIC ATHLETIC LEAGUE
President, Robert Garrett

Executive Committee

Harry N. Baetjer, Edward Guest Gibson, J. Barry Mahool, William H. Morriss, John E. Semmes, Jr., Theodore E. Straus, James F. Thrift.

Director, William Burdick, M.D

WHAT THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF
BALTIMORE COUNTY
SAYS

"I am very much pleased with both the spirit and results of the supervision of athletics in the counties of Maryland by the Public Athletic League, so far as I have observed them. The special work the Public Athletic League is doing in Baltimore County has the entire approval of the School Board and the principals and teachers. I trust this work in the State will grow and extend from year to year.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

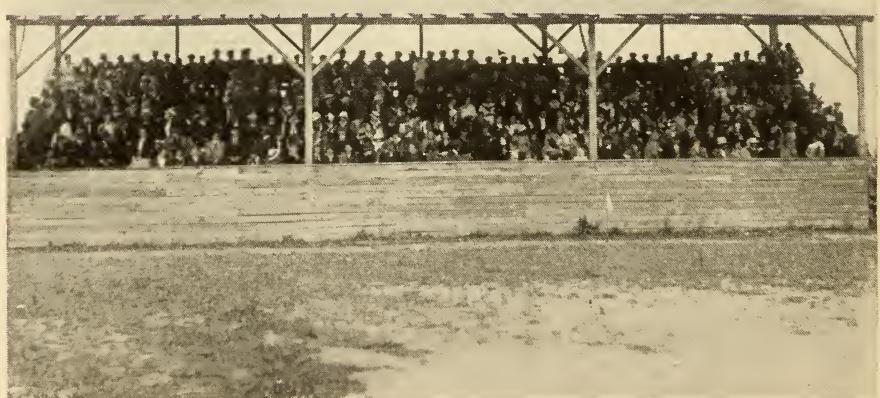
ALBERT S. COOK,
Superintendent

Counties ranked according to the number of boys entering the first county championships of track and field athletics:

Baltimore City	1,215
Baltimore County	505
Wicomico County	263
Allegany County	229
Montgomery County	213
Carroll County	206
Talbot County	199
Prince George's County	197
Howard County	191
Cecil County	182
Frederick County	178
Washington County	163
Caroline County	129
Somerset County	103
Worcester County	103
Queen Anne's County99
Charles County	39
Harford County	17
	4,231
Maryland State Olympiad . .	514
	4,745



STATE AND COUNTY OFFICIALS AT POCOMOKE CITY



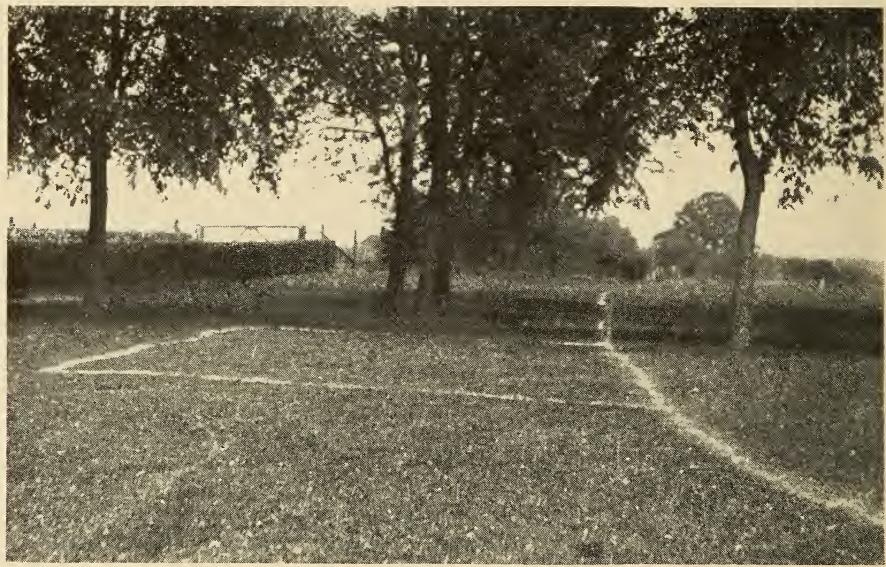
SPECTATORS AT ST. MICHAEL'S, TALBOT COUNTY MEET



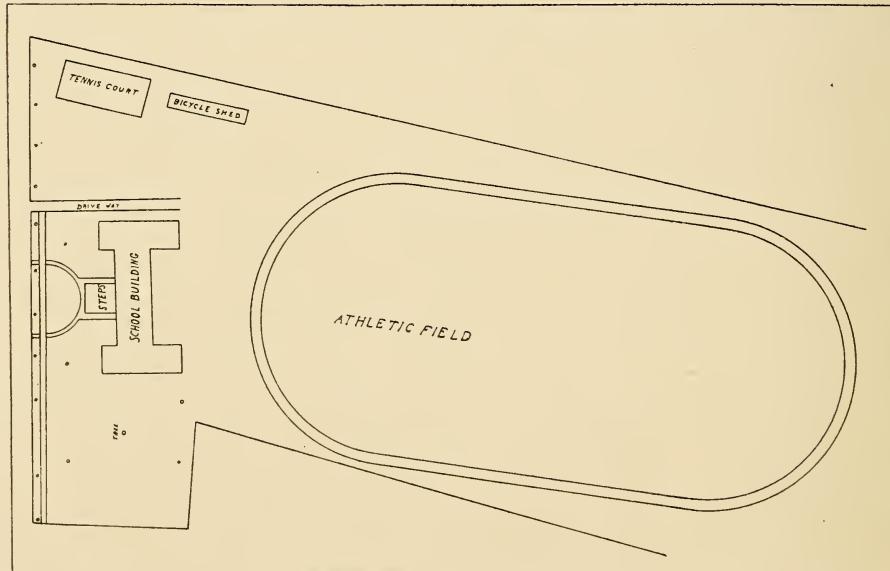
A DASH AT PRINCESS ANNE, SOMERSET COUNTY MEET



GRANDSTANDS AT CUMBERLAND, ALLEGANY COUNTY MEET



ATTRACTIVE RUNNING TRACK USED AT CENTERVILLE,
QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY MEET



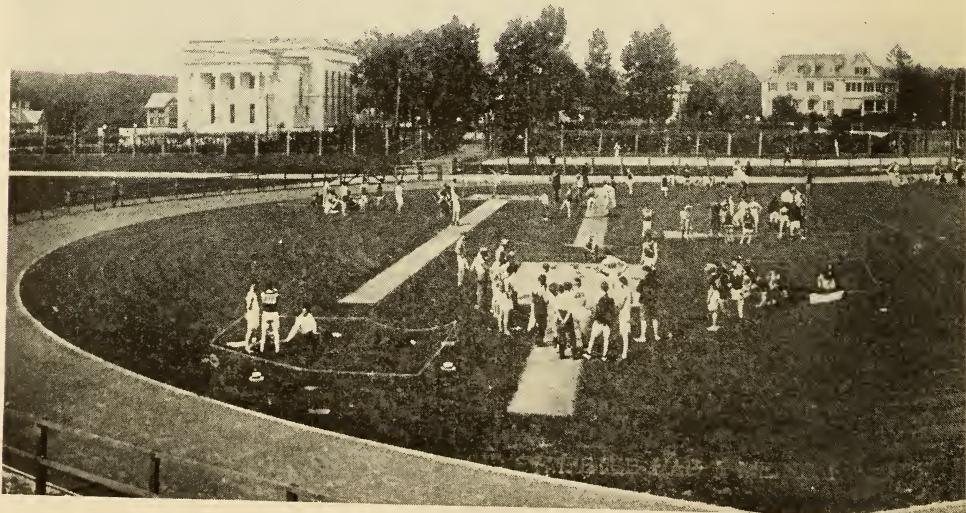
PLANS FOR SCHOOL AND ATHLETIC FIELD NOW AT FREDERICK



JUDGES AT UPPER MARLBORO, PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY MEET
The splendid cooperation of officials in every county made the county championships possible



ROCK HILL COLLEGE GROUNDS, AT ELLICOTT CITY, A NATURAL AM



A VIEW OF THE STATE-WIDE OLYMPIAD AT HOMEWOOD



THEATER WHERE HOWARD COUNTY HELD ITS COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS



ATHLETIC FIELD, JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, BALTIMORE

WHAT THE COMMITTEE
ON RESOLUTIONS OF
THE MARYLAND STATE
TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION
SAYS

"We approve most heartily State-wide school athletics as conducted by the Baltimore Public Athletic League. We thank them and their assistants for their services in making school athletics popular with our people as well as pupils, not alone for its own merits, but also as encouraging better attendance of pupils, more especially in high school grades.

Honor roll of counties arranged according to points scored by their representatives at the State-wide Olympiad, June 11, 1915.

Baltimore County . . .	86	points
Baltimore City . . .	83	"
Allegany County . . .	25	"
Talbot County . . .	21	"
Frederick County . . .	17	"
Montgomery County . . .	15	"
Queen Anne's County . . .	14	"
Somerset County . . .	12	"
Harford County . . .	11	"
Prince George's County . . .	11	"
Wicomico County . . .	10	"
Cecil County . . .	8	"
Carroll County . . .	3	"
Howard County . . .	3	"
Worcester County . . .	2	"
Caroline County . . .	1	"
Washington County . . .	1	"
Charles County . . .	0	"

Counties ranked according to number of boys passing first badge test.

Montgomery County . . .	77
Talbot County . . .	63
Prince George's County . . .	60
Frederick County . . .	57
Queen Anne's County . . .	41
Baltimore County . . .	40
Caroline County . . .	40
Carroll County . . .	33
Wicomico County . . .	32
Cecil County . . .	30
Worcester County . . .	26
Somerset County . . .	19
Howard County . . .	18
Charles County . . .	16
Harford County . . .	5
Washington County . . .	4



A PART OF 5,000 SPECTATORS AT HAGERSTOWN, WASHINGTON COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS



EVERY BOY WHO COMPETED HAD A MEDICAL EXAMINATION

Public Athletic League,
801 Garrett Building,
Baltimore, Maryland.

Gentlemen:—

The Medical Supervisor, or a physician under his direction, examined the competitors at the county athletic meets to see that no one participated who was physically unfit. Where time allowed a complete medical examination was made to discover defects which might later cause serious illness, but every boy was obliged to be free from heart disease or rupture.

The following defects were found:

Chronic ear disease	1
Teeth (3 or more decayed)	25
Adenoids	9
Diseased tonsils	15
Heart disease	10
Rupture	14
Hydrocele	2
Phimosis	9
Varicocele	13
Cryptorchidism	8
Water on the knee	1
Miscellaneous defects	13
 Total defects in 94 different boys	120
Total number of boys examined	1,341

The parents of boys in need of care were notified of the defect and general advice was given as to procedure. Hardly any of the serious defects were known to the boys or their parents.

Already 16% of the boys have reported to us that they have been treated.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED W. BROWN, M.D.,

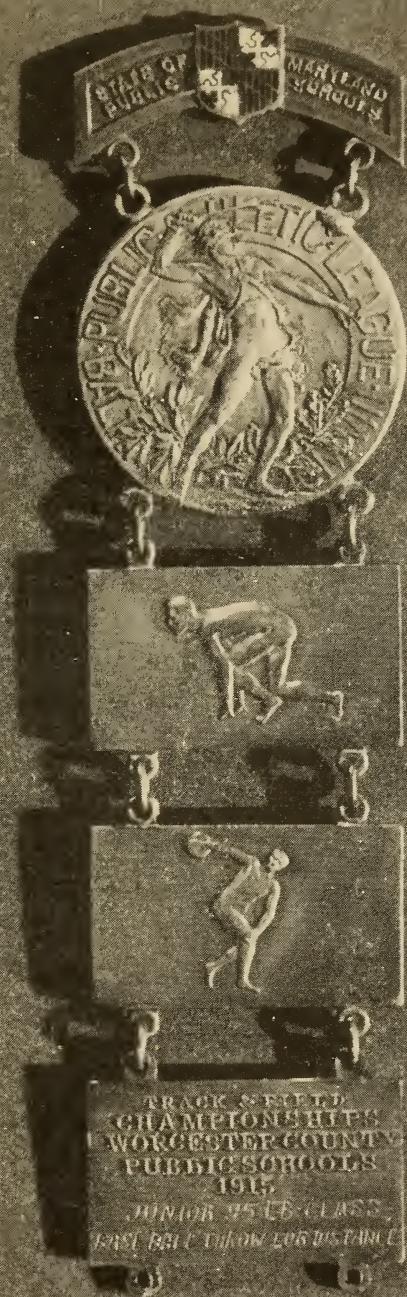
Medical Supervisor, P.A.L.

FIRST ANNUAL MARYLAND STATE OLYMPIAD
HOMEWOOD ATHLETIC FIELD

Baltimore, Friday, June 11, 1915

STATE CHAMPIONS

Event	Performance			
Junior 80-pound class:—				
50-yards Dash	G. Biddington	Allegany County	6 4/5 sec.	
Standing Broad Jumps	J. Gerkins	Baltimore County	7 ft. 3 in.	
Baseball Throw	K. Maddrick	Somerset County	205 ft. 10 in.	
440-yards Relay	G. P. Bunnell R. Deuber H. Kruse B. Rich	Baltimore County	58 sec.	
Junior 95-pound class:—				
60-yards Dash	J. Thompson	Baltimore City	7 3/5 sec.	
2-Standing Broad Jumps	J. Richards	Somerset County	16 ft.	
Baseball Throw	V. Piel	Baltimore County	217 ft. 5 in.	
440-yards Relay	H. C. Beall P. M. Cassen O. D. Hampson E. Mohlhenrich	Baltimore County	60 sec.	
Junior 115-pound class:—				
70-yards Dash	C. Jones	Montgomery County	7 4/5 sec.	
Running Broad Jump	W. C. Barall	Baltimore County	19 ft. 7 in.	
Baseball Throw	J. Tagg	Baltimore County	283 ft. 1 in.	
660-yards Relay	H. Goldman L. Goodman I. Paris E. Rosenthal	Baltimore City	1 min. 24 1/5 sec.	
Junior Unlimited Class:—				
80-yards Dash	F. E. Pfisterer	Baltimore City	9 sec.	
220-yards Dash	W. Andrews	Baltimore City	25 2/5 sec.	
Running High Jump	L. Biery	Talbot County	4 ft. 10 in.	
8-pound Shot	R. Stup	Montgomery County	44 ft. 8 3/4 in.	
880-yards Relay	E. J. Callahan T. J. Moisan D. G. Pollard L. Sullivan	Baltimore City	1 min. 41 4/5 sec.	
Senior Unlimited Class:—				
100-yards Dash	W. B. Clemson	Frederick County	10 2/5 sec.	
440-yards Dash	R. Guthrie	Wicomico County	56 sec.	
880-yards Run	J. C. Taylor	Baltimore City	2 min. 6 4/5 sec.	
Running Broad Jump	M. Brown	Baltimore County	20 ft. 10 in.	
Running High Jump	P. Harry	Harford County	5 ft. 3 1/2 in.	
12-pound Shot	C. Scarborough	Harford County	39 ft. 7 in.	
1-mile Relay	A. Du Breuil W. W. Korpman C. O'C. McDonagh H. H. Weedon, Jr.	Baltimore City	3 min. 46 1/5 sec.	





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STATE ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

appointed by

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Superintendent of Education

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William J. Holloway, Superintendent, Wicomico County
Joseph M. McVey, Superintendent, Cecil County
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William Burdick, M.D., Public Athletic League, Chairman

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